

AGAIN ON THE MOVE

Activity of the Japanese Forces Indicated.

A RECENT SKIRMISH

TWENTY-SIX WOUNDED COSSACKS BROUGHT INTO MUKDEN.

St. Petersburg Does Not Believe That a Serious Engagement is Immediately at Hand.

Advices from Mukden and an official report to St. Petersburg indicate that the Japanese forces are again on the move. Gen. Kuropatkin's reconnaissance established the fact that they are massing on his east flank and the bodies of Japanese are moving up the Liao river valley. St. Petersburg, however, still believes that a serious engagement is not immediately at hand, but that it will require some weeks for another attack. In the meantime the Russians continued to fortify Tie Pass and statements that Kuropatkin will not abandon Mukden are received in St. Petersburg with some skepticism. St. Petersburg expects the Japanese to now redouble their efforts before Port Arthur and another sortie of the fleet is expected.

Wounded Cossacks Brought In.

MUKDEN, Manchuria, September 16.—Early this morning twenty-six wounded men belonging to Maj. Gen. Mischenko's Cossack division were brought into Mukden. Particulars of the skirmish are not available. It is not clear whether it was a simple outpost affair or the beginning of the real Japanese advance on Mukden.

Inactivity Expected to Continue.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 16.—News from the front is exceedingly meager and the present lull in operations in Manchuria is expected to continue for several weeks. Ever since General Kuropatkin's retreat was definitely accomplished the best informed military circles here were convinced that Field Marshal Oyama could not immediately attempt to renew his aggressive policy.

All the information since received regarding the condition of the Japanese army has strengthened the conviction that Oyama will require a considerable time to organize a new advance, and it is now believed that he will probably await reinforcements from Japan and guns and munitions before he will be ready to move. The Japanese are not expected to move until the end of the month. Moreover, it would create no small price here if Japanese divisions were attempted in the direction of Vladivostok, to prepare the way for a renewal of aggressive operations against Mukden. In the meantime Kuropatkin is also obtaining reinforcements. A large number of guns and some independent troops are on their way to the front. The first detachment of the Odesa corps is expected to be on its way east by train tomorrow.

Kuropatkin's Plans Withheld.

There is considerable mystery about Kuropatkin's plans. Although all the information obtainable indicates that the bulk of his army is still around Mukden and the official intimations are that Kuropatkin does not contemplate retiring further at present there is considerable skepticism on these points. About all that is definitely known is that a considerable number of the Japanese have already gone north; that the heights near the Liao river at Tie Pass have been fortified; that the pass has been mined and that the Japanese are making the Russian flanks to signal the first indication of a new turning movement on the part of the Japanese. The Japanese are making the Russian flanks to signal the first indication of a new turning movement on the part of the Japanese.

The Russian military critics, analyzing Gen. Kuropatkin's retreat and report of the battle of Liao-ying, seem to unite in considering that Field Marshal Oyama's purpose having failed, the honors belong rather to Kuropatkin than to the Japanese commander-in-chief. The Novoe Vremya draws a parallel between Liao-ying and Borodino, and says that the abandonment of Moscow to Napoleon was followed by the disastrous retreat of the French.

General Kuropatkin reports that reconnaissance have established the fact that the Japanese are massing near Yentai and Kentsu. The Japanese are also making the Russian flanks to signal the first indication of a new turning movement on the part of the Japanese.

The Associated Press dispatch from Mukden, announcing that, according to information from the Japanese, the Japanese are leaving a garrison at Liao-ying and their main forces are moving out on the Russian flanks is partially confirmed by the dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin reporting that the Japanese are massing on the Russian flanks, that a force is concentrating at Bendu, twenty miles southeast of Mukden, and that another force, whose strength has not been established, is moving up the Liao valley.

The greater part of Field Marshal Oyama's army, however, is still near Yentai, encamped along the heights between the river and the Liao valley. The Japanese do not expect an immediate advance, the preliminary dispositions of the Japanese forces taken to indicate that the Japanese intend, when they advance, to strike from the eastward. They seem to be avoiding the territory west of the Liao river, possibly because it is flat and would give the Russians the advantage of their superiority in cavalry.

Movements of the Japanese.

MUKDEN, Thursday, September 15. (Delayed in transmission.)—According to information from Chinese sources the Japanese are leaving a garrison at Liao-ying and their main forces are moving out on the Russian flanks. The whole Chinese population of Liao-ying is working on the Japanese defenses there.

The Chinese also report that the Japanese are running regular trains between Port Arthur and the whole peninsula. The stock, according to their statements, has come from San Francisco. Mukden merchants who have dealings with Nanking say that if the Japanese occupy Mukden they intend to connect the railroad with the Shantung terminus of the Peking-Hankow-Tien Tsin railroad, about thirty-five miles west of Mukden.

At night the Russian sentries here can discern the glow of the Japanese campfires in the direction of Liao-ying.

Until three days ago the Japanese had not finished burying or burning their dead around Liao-ying.

Chinese Unfriendly to Russians.

The Chinese are becoming more unfriendly to the Japanese advance. The Japanese are imposing their system of administration at every town occupied, seizing the revenues, beginning with the timber dues in the Yalu district, and ending with the salt tax in Manchuria.

In Kwantung province the Japanese are at home. They are already in the Chinese Japanese teachers in the Chinese schools.

At Mukden the chief Chinese official re-



UNCLE SAM: "I RECKON YOU BETTER TAKE OFF YOUR HAT AND STAY A WHILE."

TWO CANDIDATES HERE

ARRIVAL OF NOMINEES ON BOTH NATIONAL TICKETS.

Senator Fairbanks Departs to Open the West Virginia Campaign—Mr. Davis Follows.

A special train took Senator Fairbanks, the republican candidate for Vice President, to West Virginia at 10 o'clock this morning to open the campaign there. He was accompanied by Senator Scott, Representative Dayton and others of that state. Mr. B. H. Warner and his son, Dr. Warner of this city, were among the party. They were accompanied, among others, by his grandnephew, Miss Elkins, daughter of Senator Elkins, whose efforts are being exerted to defeat the political ambition of his father-in-law. Senator Davis stepped aboard briskly, giving no evidence of his eighty-one years.

MINISTER BARRETT OCCUPIED.

Investigating Conflicting Claims—Entertaining the Panamans.

The incoming isthmian mail brings report of an investigation made by Mr. Barrett, United States minister, into the claims of two American fruit companies to the same tract of land lying on the border of Panama and Costa Rica. One company claims title under a concession from Costa Rica and the other holds a grant from Panama, and as the territory lies in the tract which was involved in the decision of President Loubet, acting as arbitrator in the boundary dispute, and the lines have not yet been definitely surveyed, it will be some time before the question of ownership can be determined.

GEN. FORREST'S REMAINS.

Permit Issued for Removal to Flat in Memphis.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., September 16.—A permit has been issued authorizing the removal of the remains of Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest, the noted cavalierman, from Elmwood cemetery to a plot in Forrest Park, aside for a heroic equestrian statue of the general. The remains will be put in place in October and the remains of General Forrest and his wife will rest directly underneath it.

BIG STRIKE IN ITALY.

It Began at Milan and Threatens to Spread.

ROME, September 16.—To protest against a conflict between strikers and the police, in which two strikers, a Sardinian and a Sicilian, were killed, the socialists have decided on a general strike throughout Italy, which began today at Milan and threatens to spread through the whole peninsula. The government has taken extraordinary measures to suppress the strike and has stopped all telegrams referring to it.

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WILL RETURN NEXT THURSDAY.

The President to Leave Oyster Bay the 22d.

OYSTER BAY, L. I., September 16.—Embracing the opportunity afforded by the fine weather, President Roosevelt, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and the younger children, left Sagamore Hill today for an outing of several hours. The destination of the party was not disclosed. Secretary Loeb will not go to Sagamore Hill on his daily business visit until late in the afternoon.

Arrangements have been made for the return of the President and his family to Washington. They will leave Oyster Bay at 11 o'clock Thursday, the 22d instant, in a special train. Crossing New York city in carriages, the party will reach Jersey at 1 o'clock, and will be met by a special train for the Pennsylvania railroad. Two special cars will be attached to the train for the accommodation of the President's party. Washington will be reached shortly after 6 o'clock. The entire executive office force here will return to Washington at the same time.

TO ATTEND ARMY WAR COLLEGE.

Officers Selected for Detail for the Course of Instruction.

The following-named officers have been selected for detail for the course of instruction at the Army War College in this city, to report October 31: Maj. William A. Mann, general staff; Maj. Charles G. Morton, 6th Infantry; Maj. David DuB. Gaillard, Corps of Engineers; Capt. James K. Thompson, general staff; Capt. Robert E. L. Michie, general staff; Capt. John J. Penning, general staff; Capt. Louis C. Sherer, 4th Cavalry; Capt. Ralph H. Van Deman, 2nd Infantry; Capt. John C. Olin, Jr., Artillery Corps; Col. Arthur J. Wagner, and Lieut. Col. William W. Wotherspoon, general staff, will be assigned as directors of the college.

NOW CONSULTING ENGINEER.

R. M. Arango Added to the Panama Canal Construction Staff.

Mr. R. M. Arango, a graduate of one of the American technical schools, has been appointed a consulting engineer on the staff of Chief Engineer Wallace in the Panama canal construction. He is particularly charged to assist Mr. Davis in building an aqueduct to supply the city of Panama with water. It is also proposed in the interim of the health of the employees, to lay pipe lines to supply fresh, pure water to the great force of laborers at the Culebra cut and other camps along the line of work.

Public Buildings Mined.

The Russians have placed mines under all the public buildings, wharves, arsenals and everything that could possibly be of use to the Japanese with the intention of causing their destruction should the Japanese enter the city.

Personal Mention.

Senator George E. Zahler, first secretary of the Bolivian legation, died at the State Department yesterday and took leave in a short time. He was sailing for home in a short time. Chief Engineer Wallace has been making some estimates of the cost of the work he has already done with the result that the safe and sound assumption is that the cost of the canal work can be greatly reduced below the French figures through the employment of modern high-grade American machinery as a substitute for manual labor.

Land Defenses Strengthened.

The five eleven-inch guns on Golden Hill, which were formerly pointed seaward, have been rearranged, three of them now pointing landward. The Chinese alleges that all of the guns except the ten and twelve-inch have been removed to land batteries from on board the battle ships, where they were of very little use.

Alleged Conditions at Port Arthur.

SHANGHAI, September 16.—The North China Daily News today publishes a private letter from a Chinese interpreter, employed from 1897 until the end of August last in the commissariat department at Port Arthur. The writer says that in February last the department supplied daily 25,000 rations to the Russian land forces alone, the naval forces supplying themselves. "But when we departed," he adds,

ARE IN GOOD SPIRITS

PORT ARTHUR REPORTS RUSSIAN TROOPS DETERMINED.

It is Said That a Long, Obstinate Defense Will Be Made—Japanese Take a Fort.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 16.—A telegram from Harbin says the following report has been received from Port Arthur: "Our garrison is in good spirits and there is no prospect of provisions failing. Port Arthur is prepared to make a long, obstinate defense.

Japanese Take a Fort.

CHEFOO, September 16.—The Japanese troops between September 8 and September 10 captured a fort situated on a high hill two miles east of Golden Hill by assault. The fighting was not severe. The Japanese were able to remain in the fort because the quality of the powder used at Golden Hill was so poor that many shells fell short and failed to explode.

Colorado Miners Meet.

Will Consider Question of Leaving the National Organization.

PUEBLO, Colo., September 16.—The United Mine Workers of district No. 15 met today, with President Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners in the chair, to consider the advisability of cutting drift from the national organization of United Mine Workers and of joining the Western Federation.

A Sailor of the Missouri Drowned.

WOOD'S HOLE, Mass., September 16.—A sailor on the U. S. battleship Missouri was drowned last Wednesday night as the war vessel was putting to sea to avoid the gale. Young was assisting at securing the anchor on the bow when he was carried overboard by a great wave. Two sailors with lines jumped after the man in an attempt at rescue, but were unsuccessful.

Reading Dividend Declared.

PHILADELPHIA, September 16.—The directors of the Philadelphia and Reading railway have declared a semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent on the second preferred stock of the company. The dividend is payable on November 10, and the books close on October 21.

Passengers on the St. Paul.

LONDON, September 16.—The steamer St. Paul, which sails from Southampton for New York today, will take among her passengers William R. Bigham, American consul general at Capetown; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Griscom, Jr., and J. H. Thieriot, American consul at Lisbon.

Action of Judge Lanning at Trenton.

TRENTON, N. J., September 16.—Judge Lanning, in the United States circuit court, today made absolute the rule to show cause why William C. Bullitt of Philadelphia should not be allowed to intervene in the consolidated suit of the Land Title and Trust Company of Philadelphia against Henry C. Tamm, receiver for the National Asphalt Company and the Aspha Company of America. Following this action an appeal was allowed by Judge Lanning.

Gypsum Plant at Chicago Burned.

CHICAGO, September 16.—Fire destroyed the plant of the United States Gypsum Company in South Chicago today. Loss \$75,000.

Thanksgiving Day in the Dominion.

OTTAWA, Ontario, September 16.—An order has been passed by the government appointing Thanksgiving here today by the police. The Frankfort carries a large cabin and stowage passenger list for this port, there being a number of Baltimoreans on board.

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NEW YORK DEMOCRATS

Gathering at Saratoga for Their State Convention.

CLANS PROSPECTING

LEADERS HOPE TO PROFIT BY THE PLATT-ODELL BREACH.

National Committee's Effort to Dictate Ticket Likely to Arouse Sovereign Democracy's Resentment.

Special From a Staff Correspondent.

SARATOGA, N. Y., September 16.—The Saratogan assembly soon ring with the shouts of jubilant democrats, assembling for the state convention to nominate a governor and full ticket. The advance guard will be in tomorrow, and a very lively convention is expected next week.

The industry of the national organization in endeavoring to dictate the gubernatorial ticket is likely to arouse resentment of the "sovereign democracy" of the up-state region, and the severest stand a good chance of having a new role. It is well known, of course, that the main purpose of the democratic managers now is to select a candidate who can of his own inherent strength serve as a prop to the electoral ticket in New York.

It is incumbent upon the democrats not only to elect a governor, but of vital importance that their state ticket should be a little strong enough to fly the presidential ticket.

The democrats are mightily encouraged over the outcome of the republican convention, yesterday's nomination of Woodruff, the fact that the New York Sun has practically bolted the head of the republican ticket, and the New York Press, another influential republican paper, has bolted the candidate for second place.

Pleasure for Democrats.

But what gives the democrats more pleasure is the exposure of the fly in the republican ointment, the breach between the Platt and Odell factions and the recrimination of the Plattites. The speech of Pennington yesterday, in nominating Woodruff, was a bitter arraignment of the Odell faction and has left a stink which even Woodruff's handsome withdrawal did not mitigate. It must be understood that Woodruff did not withdraw in the interest of harmony. Far from it. He withdrew because he did not want to force the Platt men to sacrifice themselves on the roll call.

If his withdrawal had been designed in the interest of harmony he would have caused his sponsor to have recanted from the bitter and caustic recrimination of Odell. As the case stands today and assuming that the democrats will not make a mistake in electing the New York Press, a close fight in New York this fall.

Democratic Program.

The republicans' campaign is already clearly outlined; namely, to cause the state ticket and state issues to be subordinated to the national ticket and national issues, and to draw upon the undoubted popularity of President Roosevelt.

The democratic program, whoever they name for governor, will be to assail the state administration and try to make it so unpopular that it will tilt the national ticket in New York. It is to be a great fight and will not be over until the election night.

N. O. M.

COMING TO WASHINGTON.

Armenian Delegation Will Appeal to the President.

LONDON, September 16.—H. Sarajan, archbishop of the Armenian Church in America; Sahak Ayvadian, archbishop of Persia and India, and Dr. Jean Loris Melkoun, representing the Armenians of the Caucasus, forming a mission approved by the supreme patriarch of the Armenian Church to visit the chief representatives of the great powers and appeal to them to compel the Sultan of Turkey to establish and preserve order and tranquility in Armenia, will sail for New York tomorrow on the Umbria for the purpose of presenting to President Roosevelt a letter from the supreme patriarch of the Armenian Church in behalf of Armenians.

Dr. Melkoun said today: "Our mission will go direct to Washington and call on Secretary Hay and the President, and then proceed to Boston, where we shall attend the peace congress.

"Our mission has been received most cordially in the Armenian community. The archbishop of Canterbury especially having shown themselves to be most sympathetically inclined. We had hoped to see King Edward, but unfortunately he has been abroad. We are anxious to have the President and people of the United States display keen interest in the Armenian cause, and through them and Europe we hope to obtain an alleviation of the condition of our countrymen."

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